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1. FOLLOWS TEXT OF UPI ITEM WHICH WAS PRESUMABLY PICKED UP BY VARIOUS MEDIA OUTLETS NATIONWIDE O/A MARCH 1. QUOTE: TWO AMERICAN WOMEN IMPRISONED FOR LIFE IN TURKEY BECAUSE THEY TRIED TO SMUGGLE HASHISH OUT OF THE COUNTRY CHARGE THE U.S. HAS WRITTEN THEM OFF AND IS DOING ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO HELP THEM FIGHT THE STIFF SENTENCES.

ONE OF THE WOMEN, 28-YEAR OLD KATHRYN ANN ZENZ OF LANCASTER, WISCONSIN, SAYS ALL THE U.S. CONSUL IS DOING IS TAKING CARE OF THEIR MATERIAL NEEDS. AND 29-YEAR OLD JOANN MCDANIEL OF COOS BAY, OREGON, SAYS THEIR TURKISH LAWYER HASN'T CONTACTED THEM SINCE LAST MONTH.

THE WOMEN SAY AMERICANS CAN HELP EASE THEIR PLIGHT BY WRITING SENATORS AND CONGRESSMEN AND RAISING FUNDS FOR AN UNCLASSIFIED UNCLASSIFIED

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APPEAL. IF AN APPEAL IS GRANTED AND THE WOMEN RECEIVE A GENERAL AMNESTY, THEIR SENTENCES COULD BE CUT TO 12 YEARS,

RATHER THAN LIFE.

THE AMERICAN CONSUL, WILLIAM HALLMAN SAYS HE IS DOING EVERYTHING HE CAN FOR THE WOMEN BUT HAS TO WORK WITHIN THE LIMITS OF TURKISH LAW.

THE WOMEN MADE THEIR COMMENTS IN AN INTERVIEW CONDUCTED THROUGH TWO SETS OF STEEL SHUTTERS AT THE JAIL IN ADANA, TURKEY. THE JAIL PROBABLY IS NOT FAR FROM A LARGE RED AND WHITE SIGN AT A U.S. CONSULATE IN THE CITY READING SIMPLY 'AMERICANS' ENJOY BEAUTIFUL TURKEY..BUT DON'T USE DRUGS.' UNQUOTE.

2. LATEST ISSUE NEW NATIONAL WEEKLY NEWS MAGAZINE, "PEOPLE" THIS WEEK HAS SIX PAGE PHOTO ARTICLE ON MCDANIEL AND ZENZ IN WHICH PETITION DRIVES MENTIONED. COPIES POUCHED FOR YOUR INFO. KISSINGER

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